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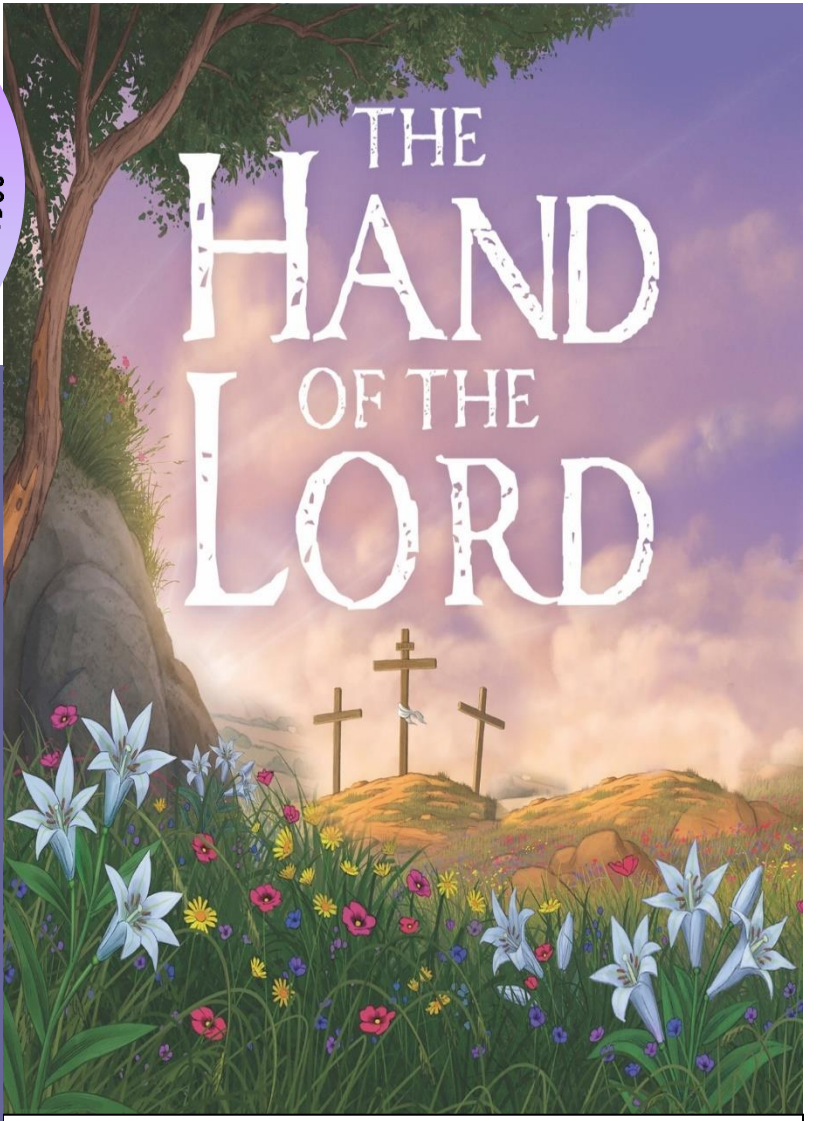


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## MID-WEEK VESPERS

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**All things are in the hands of Jesus. There is no authority that is above Him, and He will continue to exercise that authority for us until the end of the age. Salvation itself is in the hands of Jesus. As we have seen throughout this series, Jesus continues to use those hands for our good and, above all, for our salvation. He has given that authority to the church for the sake of making disciples by baptizing and teaching. As we prepare to enter into Holy Week, we see the specific ways that those hands, into which the Father has given all things, have worked forgiveness, life, and salvation.**

PLEASE NOTE - Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church offers assisted listening devices for our members and guests this morning. If you would like to use one, please speak with an usher.

Guest Book: If you are a visitor, welcome! Please sign our guest book on the cabinet below the tract display in the entryway. Thank you!

**<u>SERVING AMONG US TODAY</u>**
**The Elder: Ron Schill**
**The Organist: ipad**
**The Acolyte: Zoe Schuldheisz**

## VESPERS

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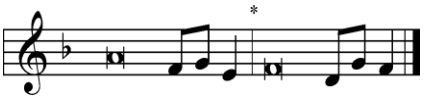
**OPENING VERSICLES . . . . . page 229**

**Psalm 95:1-7a**

**Oh come, let us sing | to the Lord;***
**let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal- | vation!**
**Let us come into His presence with thanks- |giving;***
**let us make a joyful noise to Him with | songs of praise!**
**For the Lord is a | great God,***
**and a great King a- | bove all gods.**
**In His hand are the depths | of the earth;***
**the heights of the mountains are His | also.**
**The sea is His, for He | made it,***
**and His hands formed the | dry land.**
**Oh come, let us worship and | bow down;***
**let us kneel before the Lord, our | Maker!**
**For He | is our God,***
**and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep | of His hand.**

*(Please be seated)*

**OFFICE HYMN . . . . . "A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth" LSB #438**

**OLD TESTAMENT: Daniel 7:13-14**

13 "I saw in the night visions,
and behold, with the clouds of heaven
there came one like a son of man,
and he came to the Ancient of Days
and was presented before him.
14 And to him was given dominion
and glory and a kingdom,

that all peoples, nations, and languages
should serve him;
his dominion is an everlasting dominion,
which shall not pass away,
and his kingdom one
that shall not be destroyed.

P: O Lord, have mercy on us.
**C: Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE: Revelation 1:9-20**

9 I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the
patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on
account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. 10 I was in the Spirit on
the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a
trumpet 11 saying, “Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven
churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to
Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea.”

12 Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I
saw seven golden lampstands, 13 and in the midst of the lampstands one like a
son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his
chest. 14 The hairs of his head were white, like white wool, like snow. His eyes
were like a flame of fire, 15 his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a
furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. 16 In his right hand he
held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face
was like the sun shining in full strength.

17 When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand
on me, saying, “Fear not, I am the first and the last, 18 and the living one. I
died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and
Hades. 19 Write therefore the things that you have seen, those that are and
those that are to take place after this. 20 As for the mystery of the seven stars
that you saw in my right hand, and the seven golden lampstands, the seven
stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the
seven churches.

P: O Lord, have mercy on us.
**C: Thanks be to God.**

**HOLY GOSPEL John 3:11-18, 22-36**
P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 3rd chapter.
**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

**11** Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you[a] do not receive our testimony. **12** If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? **13** No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man.[b] **14** And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, **15** that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.[c]**16** "For God so loved the world,[d] that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. **17** For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. **18** Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.
**22** After this Jesus and his disciples went into the Judean countryside, and he remained there with them and was baptizing. **23** John also was baptizing at Aenon near Salim, because water was plentiful there, and people were coming and being baptized **24** (for John had not yet been put in prison). **25** Now a discussion arose between some of John's disciples and a Jew over purification. **26** And they came to John and said to him, "Rabbi, he who was with you across the Jordan, to whom you bore witness—look, he is baptizing, and all are going to him." **27** John answered, "A person cannot receive even one thing unless it is given him from heaven. **28** You yourselves bear me witness, that I said, 'I am not the Christ, but I have been sent before him.' **29** The one who has the bride is the bridegroom. The friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly at the bridegroom's voice. Therefore this joy of mine is now complete. **30** He must increase, but I must decrease."[a]**31** He who comes from above is above all. He who is of the earth belongs to the earth and speaks in an earthly way. He who comes from heaven is above all. **32** He bears witness to what he has seen and heard, yet no

one receives his testimony. 33 Whoever receives his testimony sets his seal to this, that God is true. 34 For he whom God has sent utters the words of God, for he gives the Spirit without measure. 35 The Father loves the Son and has given all things into his hand. 36 Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him.

*(Please stand)*
P: Oh Lord, have mercy on us.
**C: Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORY . . . . . page 231** (Lent)

**APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,**
**maker of heaven and earth.**
**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,**
**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,**
**born of the virgin Mary,**
**suffered under Pontius Pilate,**
**was crucified, died and was buried.**
**He descended into hell.**
**The third day He rose again from the dead.**
**He ascended into heaven**
**and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**
**From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**
**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**
**the holy Christian Church,**
**the communion of saints,**
**the forgiveness of sins,**
**the resurrection of the body,**
**and the life ✢ everlasting. Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*
**SERMON HYMN . . . . . .“My Song Is Love Unknown” LSB #430**

**SERMON . . . . . “In Good Hands” (John 3:11-18, 22-36)**

*(Please stand)*

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**PRAYER**

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**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray . . . Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen**

**ADDITIONAL COLLECTS OF INTERCESSION AND THANKSGIVING**

**COLLECT FOR PEACE**

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**CLOSING HYMN . . . . . "The Lamb" LSB #547**

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# Holy Week Services

Palm Sunday
April 13th, 9:30 am

Maundy Thursday
April 17th, 12:00 pm & 7:00 pm

Good Friday
April 18th, 12:00 pm & 7:00 pm

Easter Sunday
April 20th, 6:30 am & 9:30 am